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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A computerized method for determining implications in a word-level network, comprising:

generating a graph data structure representation, comprising one or more nodes, each node having an associated range;

identifying a first unjustified Boolean node;

limiting a first input range, of a first input to the first unjustified Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;

performing a first implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data structure, using the first input range limitation;

limiting a second input range, of a second input to the first unjustified Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;

performing a second implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data structure, using the second input range limitation;

accumulating a first result of the first implication process with a second result of the second implication process.

2. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the following steps:

identifying a third unjustified Boolean node as a result of limiting the first input to the first unjustified Boolean node; and

limiting an input range, of an input to the third unjustified Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling.

3. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

identifying a third unjustified Boolean node; and

performing the first implication process with a combination of an input range, of an input to the third unjustified Boolean node, set to contain no value of type non-

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controlling and the first input range, of the first input to the first unjustified Boolean node, set to contain no value of type non-controlling.

4. (original) The method of claim 3, further comprising:  
identifying the first unjustified Boolean node, and the third unjustified Boolean node, as a result of the set of constraints.
5. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, wherein the i[n]dentification of a third unjustified Boolean node is limited to be within a pre-determined number of levels of the first unjustified Boolean node.
6. (currently amended) The method of claim 2, wherein the i[n]dentification of a third unjustified Boolean node is limited to be within a pre-determined number of levels of the first unjustified Boolean node.
7. (original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:  
removing the third unjustified Boolean node, from further limitation of an input range to contain no value of type non-controlling, if an inclusion of the third unjustified Boolean node, in an implication process, produces an amount of learned implications that is below a threshold of learned implications that is determined from an inclusion of at least a fourth unjustified Boolean node in a previous implication process.
8. (original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:  
removing the third unjustified Boolean node, from further limitation of an input range to contain no value of type non-controlling, if an inclusion of the third unjustified Boolean node, in an implication process, produces a percentage of learned implications that is below a threshold percentage of learned implications that is determined from an inclusion of at least a fourth unjustified Boolean node in a previous implication process.
9. (original) A computer program product comprising:

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a computer usable medium having computer readable code embodied therein for determining implications in a word-level network, the computer program product including:

computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer to effect generating a graph data structure representation, comprising one or more nodes, each node having an associated range;

computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer to effect identifying a first unjustified Boolean node;

computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer to effect limiting a first input range, of a first input to the first unjustified Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;

computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer to effect performing a first implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data structure, using the first input range limitation;

computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer to effect limiting a second input range, of a second input to the first unjustified Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;

computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer to effect performing a second implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data structure, using the second input range limitation;

computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer to effect accumulating a first result of the first implication process with a second result of the second implication process.

10. (original) An electromagnetic waveform comprising a computer program, the computer program for determining implications in a word-level network, the computer program comprising the following steps when executed by a data processing system:

generating a graph data structure representation, comprising one or more nodes, each node having an associated range;

identifying a first unjustified Boolean node;

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limiting a first input range, of a first input to the first unjustified Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;

performing a first implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data structure, using the first input range limitation;

limiting a second input range, of a second input to the first unjustified Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;

performing a second implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data structure, using the second input range limitation;

accumulating a first result of the first implication process with a second result of the second implication process.